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CITY PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT THAT WILL HAVE
TO BE GRAPPLED WITH.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE wide-spread charges of boodling in Milwaukee some important developments were recorded last week.

Robert L. Rudolph, a former alderman for three terms from the Eleventh ward, a great "reformer" in his day, and a man who of late was said to have had a great inclination to join the Social Democratic party—only we would none of him—this Robert L. Rudolph has been arrested on the charge of extorting \$500 from Peter Schack, a saloonkeeper.

The District Attorney has made public announcement that the illegal transactions of members of the common council and of the county board are sufficient for the calling of a grand jury and that he would ask for the appointment of one in December when this can be done under the new law.

It has been announced that more arrests of aldermen would be made in the near future, as evidence secured within the last few days had involved other and former members of the council.

All of this will naturally have a tendency to strengthen the Social Democratic party in the city and the county.

But I am not quite sure that we are ought to be elated over this.

For what is our position? We are before all things looking for voters who understand and believe in Socialism.

We know that corruption is a sickness deeply rooted in the capitalist system. This we know and we say. But we are face to face with the fact that we are a political party and that we are expected to do something—may, to do a great deal—if the people of Milwaukee should decide next spring to entrust the Social Democratic party with the management of the affairs of the city and the county.

What can we do?

It has often been said and rightly said that one of the mainstays of corruption in municipal affairs is found in the fact that a few aldermen or officials have it in their power to give away or sell franchises to capitalists, to issue licenses to saloons, to make agreements with contractors, etc. The temptation thus afforded our public officials to secure a share in the plunder thus given away is too great for the average man, with an eye to business, to withstand. The contract system especially is a danger. It constantly induces contractors to bribe city officials on the one hand and to exploit their workmen on the other. A Social Democratic city government would of course put an end to both the contract system and the issuing of franchises.

But all this is only ONE cause of corruption.

The other factors are: First, that money nowadays counts for everything, at it buys everything, and especially honor and "fame." Second, that people in general, including even the capitalists, never for one moment feel sure that they will have a competence in their old age, and that their families will be provided for. Third, there is a general dissolution of all morals. In spite of the multitude of churches, the motto of every individual who under this system wants to be successful from the capitalist standpoint is "Do your job, or your neighbor will do you."

Now how much of this can we change if we, the Social Democrats, carry city and the county next spring?

What could we do?

We could unearth a great deal of corruption. We would do a lot of agitation. We would propagate a great many Socialistic ideas. But it is self-evident that to diminish corruption in politics many things are necessary that would put us in control in Milwaukee.

Corruption against corruption must be national, although the state legislature has made no doubt do a great deal in that direction.

Of more importance than the election of many thousand reform-aldermen is the introduction of a general and national old age pensioning system for all the workers—all of those earning less than \$1000 per year for industry and of aiding all those who are old, sick, or distressed, as a duty, not a charity. This would have to be the first step even before the nation could deal with all the great industries.

To give every one security against want and starvation, would be the condition for fighting corruption with success.

And hand in hand with this, we Social Democrats must promulgate a new moral code upon the collective—upon the city, the state or nation, as the case may be. Without this new conscience, which is the property and heritage of only those who are real Socialists, our party and this nation will be ruled in the sea of capitalist corruption and on the rock of boodling, as we as it is human to be tempted and to fall through temptation.

We have often said, and experience has proven our statement, that the Socialistic reformers and "good men" act in exactly the same way if put under the same conditions as the corrupt politicians and corrupt contractors.

And venture to add that the joining of a branch of our party alone does not make the Socialist. There are now in Milwaukee several hundred politicians who would join our party at once if we would only accept them, and who would be as corrupt as the politicians they would join.

Therefore the Social Democratic party must be very careful whom it puts in its ranks. And especially for us in Milwaukee, it might prove a boon, if we could leave the regime and responsibility of the city government to the hands of a few Socialists, in order to be able to make more and more Socialists, to educate the people to our aims and to have a more strictly organized party and a better disciplined membership before we have to face the dangers and responsibilities of a Socialist party in office.

These dangers may be as great in ten years as they are now. We must be able to face them and make the best of it. The responsibilities of a Socialist party are much greater in this country than in Germany. Here owing to a democratic form of government we elect to all offices—not only the legislative, but also the administrative and executive officers. But then if we are accomplishing something here so much better. And certainly if we are in large city in the United States where the Socialists are now in a position to all to try the experiment of getting a hold upon the city government and trying to rule in from a Social-Democratic standpoint while the capitalist class is still in full force, Milwaukee is undoubtedly that city.

Therefore close the ranks, keep out the traitors, do not forget our Socialist aim, and go, forward!

Victor L. Berger.

In answer to a questioner: Pure and simple trade unionism tends to breed anarchists. Progressive trade unionism does not.

Socialism in this country has now reached the point where it almost grows by its own momentum. When we look back at the days of persecution and small headway, it makes us feel as if the elixir of youth was being passed round!

The capitalists, in this funny civilization of ours, are the law-making power. The workers are the law-obeying body. The laws the capitalists make they do not obey. Yet we call this a government founded on equality before the law!

The governor of Massachusetts has vetoed the bill recently passed by the state legislature which provides for an eight-hour day on the grounds that it meant an added burden of expense to the taxpayers. The unions have fought for this bill for two years, but work slaves count for nothing in the great realm of plutocracy.

The capitalist idea is for this country to rule the world of commerce so as to fatten the pockets of the rich. The Socialist idea is for its producing and consuming powers to balance each other so the country will be perfectly self-sustaining. This can only be done by shutting off the profit system and according each man his socially-due return of his industry.

A St. Louis judge has decided that blacklisting is lawful—a federal judge, mind you, who gets his appointment from Washington and does not have to face his fellow citizens on election day. Well, we are glad of it. The courts are only capitalist shams, anyway, devoting their time to strengthening the laws the capitalist legislators pass. The poor man who gets near the courts is sure to get kicked of his very hide. This St. Louis legal god held that the Western Union had the right to discharge a man for belonging to a union and that a blacklist may be maintained and given out to other employers of labor. According to this rule a workman

can be actually hounded off the earth. We Socialists, who see the future quite clearly and who have a program by which all such outrages on justice will be very nicely and peacefully wiped out, can look on when the courts turn the capitalist screws on the workers and not lose our heads. But how is it with the men who do not have our insight and who find themselves ledged in more and more, how long are such men to remain passive? Lynch law is getting rampant in this country. If the courts invite it in their own case, who will be to blame?

If you can get the fellow you are arguing with to honestly admit that Socialism would be a good thing if it would only work, you have him more than half converted. If he thinks it would be a good thing and he is honest, then he must agree with you that the thing is worth studying up to see if it can be made a workable proposition. When the people really want a thing they are quite likely to not only find the way to get it, but to find how to use it after they get it.

AS TO THE PROPER USE OF LABOR DAY.

The beautiful time to come! The day when he who works shall enjoy a full and pleasurable life of well balanced effort and rest. The day when, finally, the sons of earth can cease from the drudgery of toil to take a good honest look at the world they live in—the beautiful world, with its sunshine, flowers, mirroring streams and shady glens! A world full of good will and song and hearty laughter—you scarcely dare think of it, do you, it is so different from the hell we now live in! Yet you ought to think of it. You ought to crowd your shoulder to the wheel of progress with the energy of a mighty purpose, and help roll it the faster toward the day when the parasite clutch of capitalism will be wrenched loose from the throat of toil, and toil will stand revealed in all its glorious strength as the master of earth and the enjoyer of the fruits thereof!

Let us caution you, let us shout the warning in your ear, lest you forget, that this paradise on earth is not a sure thing. A false step by society, that is by the people composing society, and it is possible to dash our civilization, so to speak, built up into chaos and barbarism. Social evolution is bringing Socialism, it is true, but social evolution works by means of the people. They can be progressive or reactionary. And in a supreme moment of opportunity they can give way to blind passions, brought up and lashed into fury by the injustice and wrong that stalks in their midst, and hurl our present civilization back into night. Work is needed by the army of progress and education by the masses.

The trade unionist must not stand still and expect his cause to be won for him. The road to better things is a road of struggle. All the year round he must fight, but harder still on Labor's own day of celebration and communion. On Labor Day he must spread the light!

As is customary with papers de-

voted to the cause of labor, the Social Democratic Herald is preparing a special Labor Day Edition, filled with things to make men think and to open eyes here and there. A great many thousand copies will be printed. We look to the workers to get these eye-openers into the hands of just those who need them. Will you do it, brothers? Will you do it, comrades? We can in fancy hear your shouts of glad acquiescence!

Here are some of the features of our special edition:

Eugene V. Debs will contribute a special article addressed to the Toilers of Earth. It will ring in your ears. It will give you inspiration and quicken your pace in the march. In his incomparable style he will sound a call to duty, and you will not resist! (With portrait.)

Father Thomas J. Hagerty will give "Some Charges from the Declaration of Independence," and we have the manuscript before us, and it is the finest thing the vaillant priest ever penned. You cannot afford to miss it! On our word, you cannot! (With portrait.)

Adelbert M. Dowey, of the United States Department of Labor, and cousin of Admiral Dewey, will have a fine article entitled "An Incident of the Competitive System," positively a Socialist classic. It is scathing, complete, irrefutable! Attempts to stop his mouth have failed. He is an officer under the civil service and no one can interfere with his rights of citizenship. And we are going to give you a picture of him—the first ever printed in a Socialist paper.

Victor L. Berger, national committee-man of the Socialist party and a member of the National Quorum, will give our readers his views on "A Labor Day that's Coming." Comrade Berger is an accredited mouthpiece of scientific Socialism in this country and is also an au-

thority in trade union circles, being chosen at the last convention of the American Federation of Labor to lead the Socialist forces with results well known to our readers. His prominence in the international movement will make welcome a new photograph of him which we will print.

William Harrison Riley, a veteran of the old Marx International and a pioneer in the class struggle, will also have a special Labor Day article, written out of his long experience in the labor movement. We hope to present his portrait, also.

"The Truth about the Red Flag," written by the Editor of The Herald, will be another feature to linger with you after you have enjoyed the paper. It will surprise you, especially if you are a trade unionist, and it will be a right slanders that ought to be set right.

We have other contributors and other features, but the above will give you some idea of the character of the Labor Day issue and its suitability for agitation and propaganda purposes. There are one or two features that will take you all in a heap, but we prefer them to come as a surprise! Guess what they are!

Now a word about the "work of financing this great edition. To do the thing right you should order a thousand copies. That will mean an outlay of five dollars. If you cannot do it personally get your union to do so, or your local or your branch. In another part of this week's paper we mention some of the orders already received. Don't wait till the last minute, that will simply make life a burden to us. Decide at once. Our edition will be gauged by the advance orders received. A lifetime is short and these opportunities don't come very often. After regrets do not atone for chances wasted, you know.

After their bank accounts by extras. Usually the extras amount to more than double the original contract price. Inferior material is used, the public is gouged at every turn. Out of this wholesale rascality individual fortunes are being piled up that will eventuate in colossal mansions on Grand avenue. A lot of snobbish, supercilious children growing up in automobiles and dispensing "charity," and all this because you people have been voting like clumps these many years.

Last week the county board again awarded the county printing to the Keogh concern. The county board has no shame, it represents no one but the rottenness of capitalist business morality. It is only a few months since Keogh was exposed in the clearest sort of robbery of the county treasury. The exposure showed that for years, by the favor of crooked Republican and Democratic supervisors, he has been charging robber prices for printing so glaringly thievish one would almost doubt his senses when shown the figures. Instead of landing behind the bars where ordinary thieves are so promptly put, Keogh is now rewarded by being allowed to hid again. There is an understanding between these fellows who bid for county work, whereby the prices they are to charge are fixed before hand. Thievery, rascality, scampism is written over all transactions of these old party "servants of the people." How do you like it?

In what we have written above we have passed over many other instances of the utter failure of the administration of government by capitalist partisans. They cannot be honest. Capitalism doesn't breed honest men. Their idea of public office is public plunder. In each ward there are growing up a gang of heeled to do the capitalist parties' dirty work, fool the people out of their votes, and otherwise breed corruption. Back of these embryo office holders are the "respectable" citizens, the corrupt rich, who live by squeezing labor and gambling with the proceeds, and they do not want a change. Franchisees are easier to get from a corrupt government than from an honest one!

But still the people must like it—they have been voting for it these many years!

SOME MOVING PICTURES.

EUGENE V. DEBS PAYS HIS RESPECTS TO THE
DECAYED POPS, AND TO OTHERS.

THE "GET-TOGETHER" CONFERENCE of Populist survivors lately held at Denver decided to reverse the machinery of the spheres and hack up the ancient and deserted ruins of old Camp Populism.

The committee on the exhumation of issues and galvanization of corpses reported both in a state of satisfactory preservation.

Brother Edgerton, the erstwhile national secretary, solemnly announced that as the world had outgrown capitalism and was not yet ready for Socialism, the only logical course was to go back to populism and stay in the middle of the road till the cows come home.

This had the effect of restoring the parity between Secretary Edgerton and Senator Patterson, and fixing the ratio of the ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS and its editorial staff.

It will not do, Brother Edgerton! There is no inspiration in a cadaver. Your heart and brain are not in it.

Populism is an echo of the past with gray whiskers on it.

Let us live in the present and face the future. "Let the dead past hurry its dead."

The Denver funeral procession and its Populist pall-bearers present a sorry picture in contrast with the advancing, enthusiastic, confident, cheering, revolutionary hosts of International Socialism.

During the C, B. & Q. Railroad strike in 1888 the writer served as secretary of the joint executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen which had charge of the strike. In the course of the strike a boycott was placed on "Q" cars. As there were "Q" cars in all the yards and trains an acute situation soon developed and a general standstill was threatened. The managers lost no time in appealing to the federal courts, and for the first time injunction proceedings were hinted at in connection with railroad strikes. Grand Chief Arthur employed Alexander Sullivan, the Chicago lawyer, who charged the brotherhood a fee of one thousand dollars for the information that if the boycott was not raised, the leaders might be sent to jail.

Grand Chief Arthur convened the committee and said: "Brothers, I am legally advised that unless this order is rescinded, I am liable to be sent to jail; I want to say right here that I would not go to jail 24 hours for your whole Brotherhood."

The boycott was lifted—and the strike was lost.

The way of the striker and boycotter is getting harder every day. A fine kettle of fish is that reported in the following dispatch from Chicago:

"Damage suits against labor unions and members of unions, aggregating \$80,000, were filed in Chicago courts today."

H. M. Stiles, painting contractor, who alleges that his business has been ruined by labor unions, sued the Painters' District council and unions affiliated in the building trades councils for \$50,000.

The American Anti-Boycott association is pushing the case for Stiles. The Kellogg Switchboard and Supply company filed two suits, each for \$15,000 against unions involved in the strike which terrorized Chicago several weeks ago and is still on.

In addition to these cases six young women, employed by the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply company, have sued eight women who participated in the Kellogg strike for slander and libel, each case being for \$1,000 damages.

This is all very distressing to a certain class of unionists, but it will work out all right in the end. Damage suits may hag a little at the knees, but they have great virtue as eye-openers.

The really admirable thing about these union suits is that they all have the union label on them. There is not a scab suit in the lot. Every one of them has been made to order in the industrial system supported by capitalist hallets cast by union labor.

There are suits enough to go around. They have been duly vetted for and are sure to be delivered.

Don't go into politics!

The disclosures in the extortion and blackmail proceedings against the New York walking delegates are disgraceful and revolting to the last degree, and every union man with an atom of decency must repudiate such base scoundrel and abhor their nefarious practices.

The capitalist contractors who were in cahoots with the labor leeches are on a moral level with them and merit the same unqualified execration.

Totally destitute of honor these "leaders" betrayed and robbed the ignorant workmen who elevated them to power, waxing fat upon the boodle wrung from the labor of their unsuspecting victims.

Such leaders, like dead mackerel floating in the moonlight, "rise only as they rot and shine only as they stink."

Let it be noted that every one of these labor boodlers is a union man of the "pure and simple" variety. "WE DON'T WANT NO POLITICS IN THE UNION" is the motto of this gang and, to a handit, they are opposed to Socialism. They attend to the political end and this is where they get in their graft.

When once union men as a class go into politics the blackmailers and grafters will go out. This is the lesson taught by the exposure of the boodle brigands with the union label on them.

In the following dispatch from Pittsburgh captioned "\$250,000.00 in Passes" there is a tremendous volume of tragedy for all who can read between the lines:

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—Recent developments in the city have established the fact that in the free transportation furnished by the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio railroads to THE BIG POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS during the present year will amount in value to no less than \$250,000. This estimate is as accurate as can be made. IT IS KNOWN THAT THE EXPENSIVE HEAD OF ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS WILL HAVE SECURED, IF THE PRESENT RATE KEEPS UP UNTIL THE LAST OF THE YEAR, FROM ONE OF THE TWO TRUNK LINES TO THE EAST NO LESS THAN \$70,000 WORTH OF TRANSPORTATION.

The county campaign of last fall was hardly over before the requests for transportation to the seashore, to be used this summer, began to be entered. Successful candidates and their managers were literally held up on the streets and asked to make a note of the wishes of their constituents. Every applicant carried at least one district for the ticket and all he would ever ask was a pass to the seashore.

Here we have a dazzling side-light on capitalist politics.

It will be noted that these passes, representing a quarter of a million dollars, were issued only to "THE BIG POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS."

This means the Republican party.

It also means the Democratic party.

But it does NOT mean the Socialist party.

Every one of these passes was issued for a consideration.

These two railroads, in Pittsburgh alone, received two hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of political favors for which free passes were issued in exchange to the political henchmen who are generally known as the representatives of the people.

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of municipal, state and national government cover a multitude of sins.

The railroads do not grant favors for sweet charity's sake. They pay only for goods delivered.

How much cash was paid in addition to the passes, the report does not say, but one thing is certain and that is that neither passes nor cash found their way to the working cattle that supplied the votes to send these political corruptionists to the seashore instead of the penitentiary.

With this side-light turned on it is easy to see:

Where injunctions come from and how they are issued;

How some labor laws are slaughtered and the rest declared unconstitutional;

The power behind the government and how law troops are called out at its command;

Why a workman cannot recover damages in a court at law from a corporation;

And many other things that prove conclusively that the Republican-Democratic party is a joint-stock, high and low pressure capitalist machine operated to control government in the interest of the capitalist class and keep the working class in wealth-producing, labor-exploiting, government-fearing, and law-and-order loving subjection.

And this is patriotism!

Eugene V. Debs

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ARE GETTING UNEASY. — "Leslie's Weekly" Sounds the Alarm!

The following was the leading editorial in "Leslie's Weekly" of August 30th:

Labor Troubles and 1904.

The distinctive advance of Socialism in this country—contemporaneous with its advance everywhere—has been marked by an increase of the vote, not only in the New York State, but also in New England cities, and in some New England cities, with it a grave portent of the approaching presidential election. While we are accustomed to divide the voters into two great camps, political managers find their usual intervals with the appearance of new parties. General manhood has cultivated the spirit of independence, and the independent voter must be given consideration in election forecasts.

When the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776, and President Hancock said, "There must be no pulling different ways; we must all hang together," Benjamin Franklin indicated the unity of the American people when he replied, "Yes, we must all hang together, or we shall hang separately." But only a few years elapsed before political differences led to the most rancorous outbreaks even against Washington himself. There were parties who believed in the new American Constitution, and parties who believed only in parts of it, "strict constructionists" and "loose constructionists." Federalists and anti-Federalists. The development of the country fortunately led to a better era in politics, so that in Madison's day leaders of public thought abandoned contentions over constitutional constructions, and sought to elaborate a successful financial and economic system for the new and growing country.

The slavery question revived general interest in the intent and purpose of the Constitution, and developed the issue of State rights. We had the two great political parties and also the Abolition or anti-slavery parties. We also had the Know-Nothing voter, the Barnburner, and the Hunker. In our time, the side issues have involved the "rag-money" and the anti-monopoly voters, and still more recently, the Populists. The Socialistic vote, which has gradually

been increasing, has not been considered a factor in presidential elections, because of the sweeping majorities of McKinley. This vote will be of greater moment next year, because it has disclosed its strength by the election of labor majors in several New England cities, and because its vote in New York State last fall was far greater than Governor Odell's plurality. It was greater than the Prohibition vote, and even greater than Roosevelt's plurality when he carried the State in 1898.

"The combined vote of the Social-Labor and Social-Democratic candidates for governor in this state last year was over 39,000. What this means in a close, and perhaps the pivotal, state of the Union in the next presidential election, may be imagined. The Socialist vote had something to do with turning Rhode Island over to the Democracy at the last gubernatorial election. In Pennsylvania, where another coal strike in the anthracite regions is one of the possibilities, the labor vote may become a factor next year, for it is given out by the labor leaders that unless the conciliation board settles the differences of the United Mine Workers more promptly and more satisfactorily, a general strike will be declared during the presidential year, when a certain victory for the miners' union is anticipated.

"Nor can we overlook conditions in some of the Western and Pacific States. The Arizona branch of the Western Federation of Miners has changed its by-laws with a view of entering actively in politics. The Socialist vote in California is developing great strength. In Colorado an extraordinary situation invites attention. At Idaho Springs a number of labor leaders, who were charged with violence, were driven from the community by a citizens' committee, and in Denver the Citizens' Alliance recently held a mass meeting in the Chamber of Commerce to devise a drastic measure of dealing with certain agitators conspicuous in recent labor troubles. The unions of Colorado are resenting these attacks and threatening to carry their differences to the polls.

"Labor troubles in New York City, in Chicago, and in Pittsburgh offer special opportunities for Socialistic-political agitators to make converts in the next general election. If amid such conditions we should be obliged to meet business depression next year, with consequent reductions in wages, strikes and shutdowns, the danger of the rising tide of Socialism in 1904 will become serious and alarming. How thoughtless and indifferent to his own interests the voter can be when stirred by passion or prejudice was shown in the last two presidential contests by the enormous vote cast

for a candidate who represented a platform distinctly Socialistic in its tendencies, a candidate nominated twice in opposition to one of the most popular men in public life.

"There are those who brush away the fears of Socialism in 1904, on the assumption that President Roosevelt, by his attitude toward the striking miners, and by his outspoken expression regarding the evils of oppressive trusts, has endeared himself to the working masses. It is no reflection on Roosevelt to say that in our days, with the possible exception of Mr. Blaine, no public leader had been held in higher estimation by the working masses than Mr. McKinley. He was the ardent advocate of protection, and labored intelligently, aggressively and finally with success, to impress his views upon the people. The triumph of protection was the triumph of the working masses (!), who hailed McKinley as their noblest hero. That such a candidate should have been repudiated at the polls by so many millions of workmen, and repudiated for a political upstart, with no record of achievements in public life and no claim to statesmanship, is a revelation of the thoughtlessness and ingratitude of the average voter.

"These are things to think of, and the Republican party cannot begin to think of them too soon nor too seriously."

383-304, McCague Bldg., Omaha. The new location provides more conveniences for the increasing office work and provides more room for all purposes.

The National Lecturers and Organizers for the Socialist party are working as follows: during the week August 24th to 30th: Hanford in Pennsylvania and Ohio; Ray in North Carolina; Goebel in Virginia; Bigelow in Kansas and Wilkins in Washington. Harry M. McKee will probably begin in Arizona in September. W. L. Dewart, of Local Washington, D. C., will fill dates in Maryland, arranged by Goebel, beginning August 25th at Cumberland.

The national secretary has issued the call for a state convention of the party in Louisiana for the purpose of forming a state organization. The convention will be held in New Orleans on September 18th, at 2 P. M.

Wm. Mailly, National Secy.

Ohio Socialist News.

F. X. Prevey has been elected member of the State Committee to represent the 19th Congressional District, and Chas. A. Harris has been elected to represent the 13th District.

J. H. Dickson of Springfield has been elected to the State Committee to represent the 7th District, Comrade Brown having resigned.

There will be a special Congressional election in the 16th Ohio district this fall. There were 199 votes in the district last fall, and with some support, we can easily make it 1,000 this fall. Who will help on this project?

Father McGrady will begin his western tour early in October.

Picnics and county conventions are the order of the day in Ohio.

Toledo Socialists have now got two speakers at work upon their city circuits.

Seneca County Socialists held their convention on Aug. 16th and nominated a full ticket.

W. G. Critchlow.

Dayton, O., August 22.

Kan., to debate Socialism on Saturday night. When the time for the debate arrived his opponent did not put in an appearance!

The Wichita comrades are going to have meetings every Saturday night.

Comrade Snyder, formerly a pupil in the American Socialist College, is now Deputy State Organizer.

The Sunday afternoon meetings in Garfield Hall, where Dr. Lowther delivers a weekly address, are becoming more popular than ever. When whole families, fathers, mothers and children, come out to these meetings every Sunday afternoon during the hot weather, they must be interested.

S. P. Cunningham, Secy.

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- "A Word to the Rich," by Victor L. Berger.

IN PREPARATION:

- "The Labor Conquer Everything?" by Eugene V. Debs.

NOTE: We will have left some of the WISCONSIN STATE PLATFORM leaflets. Price as the others.

The above leaflets, single or assorted, may be had for \$1.00 a thousand, 50 cents for 500 or 15 cents for 100.

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INTEREST IS USURY.—By William Harrison Riley.

"Interest" is usury, or a charge for the use, or "usance," of money. Ruskin said, "A little interest is no more justifiable than a little adultery," but we—a "Christian nation"—are governed by usurers, and although the Bible says that usurers shall not be allowed to live, they occupy the chief seats in our churches.

A simple illustration can be given to show the iniquity of interest. We will suppose that none of the "manifold mean forms" of robbing the laborer had been invented, and

that Jackson got his neighbor Goldson to work for him one day, and after the day's work was done Jackson told his neighbor that he would settle the account with a day's labor whenever it was called for. That would have been an equitable method of settlement, but Goldson said, "No, thank you. I don't do business in that way. I have invented a little plan of my own. You shall work for me one day every year as long as we live, and your children shall work one day each year for my children, and so on, forever. This little scheme

I call interest."

Interest compels people to labor continually for others without ever getting any nearer to a settlement, and by means of compound interest (which is an inevitable result of simple interest) the days of labor fictitiously due are transformed into weeks, months, years and centuries.

Our children are born in bondage to the children of extortioners. It is in vain to seek relief from that bondage by means of the old political parties. We—the robbed, the disinherited—must save ourselves.

THE CANDID HOG, AND OTHER ANIMALS.

When the Criminal Court of the Animals convened, with Judge Baer presiding, the prisoner at the bar was an immense Hog, so fat that he had to be assisted by officials of the court.

The charge was conduct inimical to public welfare, in that for many moons he had at each feeding time got into the trough with all four of his feet, and had secured a vastly disproportionate amount of the swill.

Numerous members of the Hog family testified against their relative, and were unanimous in declaring that his conduct was absolutely swinish. Counselor Fox

defended the prisoner, and was very severe in his characterization of those witnesses, who, he declared, "did what they did in envy of great Caesar." He was not able, however, to disprove the charges relative to the monopolistic practices of his client, and a jury of twelve impartial old Goats returned a verdict of guilty.

Asked by the court what he had to say why sentence should not be imposed, the prisoner responded:

"I have no excuse to offer for my conduct, your Honor, but I have something to submit in extenuation. I have never written any newspaper or magazine articles telling Young Shoats how, by prudence and in-

dustry, they might achieve a like success in getting into the Trough, nor have I claimed that my present obese condition was necessary to National Prosperity. I am just a Plain Hog, your Honor, but I claim the rare virtue of never having pretended to be anything else."

"Such unprecedented candor deserves encouragement," said the court, "and in consideration of the same I shall suspend judgment. Furthermore, from certain remarks I overheard while passing a den of Socialistic Wolves, I am inclined to think that you may soon be calling on your lean relatives for help, and offering Equity in exchange for Safety. You may go." C. O. S.

Gleanings from Busy Socialistic Fields!

NOTE: In some states the organization is known as the Socialist Party, in others as the Social Democratic Party. Where the term "local" is used it does not refer to trade union locals, but to the local body of the Socialists. In some states these are merely called branches, so as to avoid this confusion of terms.

NOTES FROM YANKEE LAND.

The Labor Leader of Chicago has gone Anarchistic.

Comrade L. D. Mayes will be the Labor Day speaker at Mystic, N. Y.

The Italian branch in Cleveland has been merged into the other city branches.

Comrade Debs speaks at the St. Louis Labor Press picnic, Sunday, Sept. 13.

The national convention of the Flint Glass workers declared for the principles of Socialism.

The Mills and the anti-Mills Socialists in Seattle have locked horns over a proposition to publish a paper in competition with the Seattle Socialist.

The Denver Socialists finally forced the police to drop their malicious arrests of street speakers. Over \$237 was raised to make the fight with.

The New York Worker prints in full the three resolutions passed by the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor on labor leaders and the class struggle, Party and militarism, with hearty approval.

Boyce's Weekly has dropped its Socialism department. It served its purpose of uncoiling some of our Socialist soft marks out of their subscriptions and was therefore of no further use to the Individualists who run the paper in the interests of Individualism and Plutocracy.

Ruskin Bays is the name of a new little paper issued from the Ruskin Press at the Ruskin College, lately relocated at Glen Ellyn, Ill. A half-tone view of the grounds shows a very picturesque situation in the foreground of which is a fine lake.

The Polish Alliance of Pennsylvania has petitioned the state board to get Comrade Barkowski, the Polish Socialist, into the state for a number of addresses. Comrade Barkowski is one of the hardest and most effective workers our movement has yet produced.

A Birmingham, Alabama, comrade was ordered to "Shut up and move on," by the police when he attempted to speak on the street. He refused and was arrested. A

fine of \$5 was appealed from, and the end is not yet. Good, it is just this kind of persecution that is welding our movement into a power for resistance.

At the Building Trades council national convention at Denver, the Socialists so predominated at a public meeting that it became almost a Socialist ovation. Hearst, whom the leaders of the council had practically endorsed, was roasted to a turn. The misleaders, in their chagrin, could only nurse their wrath and issue indignant resolutions next day.

Comrade Herman Herminghaus, one of the old war horses of the movement in St. Louis, died last week. Thirty years ago he helped start the first Socialist paper in Chicago, and later on helped establish a Socialist press in St. Louis. His death was caused by despondency over business reverses. He was 58 years of age.

A Prof. Short of Toronto recently made a trip West. "Amid all the labor disputes in the East," he says, "there is a very general recognition of the fact that capital is entitled to some reasonable return on its outlay, even agreement may end there. But in some parts of the West, and particularly in British Columbia, the difficulty is to get an admission that capital is entitled to anything at all. This is on the surface due to the rapid spread of Socialist ideas among Western laborers." Ain't that a shame!

Here are some of the additional orders for our Labor Day edition in wholesale lots: M. Boehme, Madison, 1,000; Cigarmakers' Union of Racine, 1,000; John Kerrigan, Texas, 100; Eighth ward branch, Milwaukee, 1,000; E. Marquardt, Manitowoc, 1,000; Twenty-second ward, Milwaukee, 1,000; Fred Schober, Waukesha, 1,000; Tenth ward branch, Milwaukee, 1,000; Twentieth ward branch, Milwaukee, 1,000; Twelfth ward branch, Milwaukee, 1,000; and G. Lansing of Monches, and the Fourth and Fifth ward branches, Milwaukee, somewhat smaller amounts. While we write the Manitowoc Central Labor union sends in a big order.

ACROSS THE HERRING POND.

The death of Prof. J. A. F. Renard is deeply mourned by the Belgian Socialists. He was professor of geology in Ghent University.

At the annual meeting of the Metropolitan District Council of the Independent Labor Party, July 24, in London, the secretary reported that the London membership had increased from 415 to 580.

"Avanti" (Forward), the Socialist daily journal of Rome, criticizes, as contrary to Socialist principles, "Jean Jaures" proposal that French Socialists should take part in the reception of the King of Italy when he visits Paris.

The delegates from the Social Democratic Federation presented a resolution, in the form of an amendment, in favor of Socialism and the "class war," in the conference held by the London Trades Council and the Labor Representation Committee, July 11th. The resolution was defeated by 68 against 53 votes. Then the delegates from the S. D. F. left the conference in a body. Later a resolution was introduced to exclude Socialists from further conferences, but it was withdrawn.

Berlin "Vorwaerts" of July 22 says that it will be several months before the final, official returns of the German parliamentary elections are published. Meanwhile the Socialists smile to see how their vote increases with each new report. According to the latest report of the "Reichs-Anzeiger" (The Government Messenger), 12,530,989 persons were entitled to vote in the parliamentary elections of 1903, and on June 16, 3,011,114 of them voted for the Socialist candidates, 81 of whom were elected. According to those statistics, in 1893 out of each hundred voters 23 were Socialists, and in 1903 out of each hundred voters 31 were Socialists.

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FREDERIC HEATH,

EDITOR.

Official Paper of the Federated Trades Council of Milwaukee and of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor.

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What International Socialism Demands:

1. Collective ownership of public utilities and all industries in the hands of Trusts and Combinations.
2. Democratic management of such collective industry.
3. Reduction of the hours of labor and progressively increased remuneration.
4. State and National Insurance for the workers and honorable rest for old age.
5. The inauguration of public industries to safeguard the workers against lack of employment.
6. Education of ALL children up to the age of 18 years. No child labor.
7. Equal political and civil rights for men and women.

If you believe in the above vote with the Social Democrats.

The Impossibility of Justice!

Under the capitalist system justice is an impossibility, and especially in just the place where justice is supposed to be dispensed, in the courts. And what is worse, this impossibility of justice will continue in force as long as the capitalist system lasts.

In the capitalist courts justice is a commodity, and as such it is purchasable. All you need is the price. But the majority of men can not afford to buy it, being poor, and while the capitalist system lasts the majority of men will always be poor. So it is a pretty dismal outlook for justice, unless Socialism comes to the rescue.

The courts are grinning skulls. Their smile is the smile of death. They are death's heads brutally reminding the poor man that he has no standing in society; that he is a nobody whose alleged rights are not worth writing opinions about. If they do write an opinion it is but to sustain the decision of society, already rendered. "If you haven't any money, you needn't come round!"

These eyeless skulls, typified by the blind goddess, have wonderful power of vision, nevertheless. They have an X-ray penetration. If there is money in a pocket disguised on the outside with a ragged coat, they can see the coin.

It isn't only the anti-labor decisions and injunctions that constitute the shame of the courts under capitalism. It is a much more enduring and persistent wrong than that. For the poor man's day in court is a screaming farce, a ghastly joke. If he listens hard enough he can hear the mocking laughter.

The poor man (and that means the working man, of course) is coming to see this pretty well. He knows that his class stand no show in the courts, that the civil courts are every bit as much against him as those abominable temples of injustice, the police courts.

In the lower civil courts he appears to stand some show. They are open to him. Suppose he is a workman who has been mangled by machinery that was not repaired when the employer's attention was called to its condition. That carelessness on the employer's part has resulted in disabling the workman for life and spoiled his chance of getting current wages at his trade. He has no money, but finds a lawyer who agrees to take up his case provided he, the lawyer, is given half of whatever damages are secured as the result of the suit. Once in a while such a case wins out in the lower court and to avoid further bother the employer, after appealing to a higher court, agrees to a compromise.

But as a rule the case is carried to the higher court where the poor man cannot follow. And they call them courts of justice.

Usually the workman loses in the lower court and there it ends. It costs money to take the case up. It may be sent back for a retrial, which also costs money. The candid lawyer's advice is to avoid a law suit, if possible.

But even if the workman makes use of the courts, his opponent gets the sharpest and highest priced legal talent. This is one of the privileges of being rich!

The president of a private street car monopoly in a large Western city not many miles from the publication office of this paper, made the following observations to a citizen who claimed to have been injured: "The courts are always open to you. We might as well have one suit more as one less. We hire our attorneys by the year and we might as well make them earn their pay."

No one ever heard a judge come in to protest against this fatal flaw in the fabric of legal justice, yet they know well enough about it. The fact is, they believe in the capitalist system and see only necessary evils in the abuses that are inherent in it. And many of them not only wink at this wrong, but add to it by rank anti-labor decisions.

INSTEAD OF BEING BULWARKS OF LIBERTY, OUR COURTS ARE SIMPLY BULWARKS OF CAPITALISM.

And you will notice that in the above we have been simply alluding to honest judges, not to the corrupt ones!

No patching, no new laws will mend this thing. The people's only hope, their only possible relief, in this as in so many other things, lies in the coming of Socialism.

"They are so anxious about the welfare of the organization of the bakery and confectionery workers that they are really compelled to stop a moment in their laudable endeavors of undermining society, of vote catching, of corrupting and perverting common sense and soundness of heart and sentiment, and place their columns at the disposition of whomsoever sees fit to throw mud at or traduce the present editor."

We clip the above from the current issue of the Bakers' Journal, the editor of which, having badly misused his position the past year, has met with considerable opposition for reelection. Lately he has been disgracing the principles of unionism by using the columns of an official paper, supported by all members of the national body, to praise himself and defame those members who opposed his reelection. "A man so stupid, so dishonest as to claim the Socialists were undermining society deserves the contempt of all decent men. In his electioneering for himself at the expense of the treasury of his union he very foolishly tries to make it appear that the opposition to him comes from outside the union. The fact is that the bakery workers are fast becoming Socialists, and thus awakened, have no use for a specimen as this man Schudel. As to the Socialist press, it feels a profound sympathy for the men who work in the baking trade. They perform a most important service to society, yet get but dog's pay. The conditions that exist in the trade are almost beyond believing, and the organized bakers

will do well to put into office men who will stir the membership up as it should be stirred, for a better chance to live, and a better chance to work, instead of allowing their official paper to remain in the hands of a man who is ignorant as a writer and personally without shame.

Searchlight Lodge No. 248 of Milwaukee, a union of machinists who have to work nights, last week subscribed to The Herald for every member out of the lodge treasury. It isn't hard to pick out the unions in Milwaukee that are socialistic. They show a sturdiness of purpose that is lacking in other quarters. They have a better grasp on the problem of life and a better realization of the situation of the working class, whether it is night or day work, is really in. That they know the way out, also, is shown by such action as the Machinists took last week.

As we go to press big bundle orders continue to arrive for the Labor Day edition of The Herald next week. The morning's mail brings in orders from Yonkers, N. Y., Oklahoma, Missouri, Green Bay, Wis., Kenosha, Wis., and the Seventeenth ward, Milwaukee. A Chicago comrade digs down into his jeans, we are not sure about the jeans, but he is not a millionaire anyway—and orders a big bundle for distribution among the students of one of the big Chicago medical colleges, "seventy-five per cent of whom are school teachers from all parts of the United States," he writes, "and as liberal thinkers as any."

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY OUT!

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HOW ROCKEFELLER'S MONEY WORKS.

Signs of prosperity exist on every hand and the following figures of the dividends of John D. Rockefeller for the past three years are evidence of that fact. The report of the directors of the Standard Oil Co. quotes the sum of fifty-six million dollars as Pious John's share. Eliminating the fractions, the following deduction will enable us to comprehend this vast sum. John "earned":

\$18,666,666 per year,
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\$388,888 per week,
\$55,555 per day,
\$2,315 per hour,
\$38 per minute,
64¢ per second.

From this it will be seen that John could cast twenty-dollar gold pieces, one every minute, into the ocean and his income would overtake him.

Suppose you were a good, industrious, "thrifty" workman, born at

the time of Christ, and permitted to live to the present day, and had saved every cent you earned, and never at a meal, bought a hook or squandered a nickel for a glass of beer; in short, if you were the ideal type of workman that the masters dote on, how much would you have to save each day from that time to this to get the amount Rockefeller "earned" in one year? Five dollars per day? Your "thrifty" would still leave you a back number. Ten dollars a day? That would give you the miserly sum of \$6,055,990, and Rockefeller "earns" \$18,000,000 a year. Twenty dollars a day would still leave you short. If you were fortunate enough to save \$30 each day for twenty centuries you could then have a sum equal to that which Rockefeller "earned" in a single year.

It will be seen that John's capacity for "earning" wealth is equal to more than 42,000 workmen, assuming that the latter receive \$137

per year, which the census bureau gives as the average wages in this country. It is impossible to grasp the full significance of these figures, but one can get a slight conception of the enormous values which flow into the hands of a few men from the multitude of wage slaves wearing out their lives in the treadmill of capitalism. It is not much tribute to the intelligence of those who daily surrender these enormous values and then defend at the ballot box the system which prevents them and their families from enjoying them. This golden stream represents so much unpaid labor, and the workers have the power to turn the tide which now flows to the masters back to themselves through a working class party, which demands the surrender of the means of production and distribution to society, to whom they should belong.—The Toiler.

HALF HOURS IN THE HERALD SANCTUM.

Dear Comrades: I as a Catholic will say if we want true religion we must plant Socialism. Socialism is the foundation of true religion. This in itself is proof enough that thousands of Catholics are becoming Socialists. If Socialism is something bad, it cannot last! and if it is something good, why not embrace it? The Catholics who investigate Socialism find that there is nothing in the teachings of Socialism to conflict with their religion, but they find lots of beautiful things that are in conformity with true religion. We Socialists are not attacking religion and never will. If we want to better the condition of all our religions and churches we must have Socialism.

John Geis.

Plymouth, Wis., Aug. 13.

Dear Herald-Comrades: I take pleasure in sending in a few names to enroll on your list for The Herald. It is gratifying to see how the workers are falling in line. I have not been able to do much for the cause this last year on account of being so financially embarrassed, but you will bear me of my own now. I make good use of my paper which I receive every week. Wishing you the best of success.

N. S. Pigott,

Chicago, Ill., July 13.

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Dallas, Tex., July 19.

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Carl D. Thompson.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 13.

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The Revolt in Russia.—Comrade E. Levin, in a letter on the "Manifesto of the Russian Social Revolutionists" published in "Justice" of London, July 11, explains the difference between the Social Democratic Labor Party of Russia and the Social Revolutionist Party of Russia. He says that the latter is an "opportunistic, semi-anarchical so-called party."

Describing the terrible conditions under which Socialist propaganda is carried on, Comrade Levin says, that in Russia "The average life of a Socialist is from ten months to a year: the rest passes in prisons, Siberia or exile. One arrest very often leads to the collapse of a whole organization, and it takes years to build it up again." The American Socialist papers which have published the "Manifesto of the Russian Social Revolutionists" advocating assassination, should reprint from "Justice" Comrade Levin's interesting letter.

That the revolutionary movement in Russia keeps gaining ground is proved by official documents frequently published in "Vorwärts" of Berlin. A circular of the Russian Minister of Education calls the attention of the district superintendents to the lessening of discipline in the schools and cities cases of propaganda hostile to the government.

Public Opinion.—From time to time newspapers mention the fact that in this or that labor disturbance the working people are running counter to public opinion.

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We sounded the warning as loud as we could when the Labor Carnival fakers were about to "do business" in Milwaukee, yet in spite of this several merchants got bitten by the vermin in the Herald got bitten by this miserable crew. The carnival fellows appear to have beaten everyone they came in contact with. The business men have it in their power to drive all such fakes out of business. All that is needed is a little investigation. Next time a "Labor

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Comrades Seidel, Weh and Gaylord spoke to the open air meeting at Grove and National avenue, Milwaukee, last Saturday evening. In spite of the lateness, Comrade Gaylord held the crowd completely. In this connection a good story must be told. A teacher from Downer College was visiting on the South Side and hearing about the meeting said she "would like to see a real live Socialist," as she had often heard of them and wondered what they looked like! After the meeting she said she didn't see but they were about the same as other folks, only they seemed to know what they were talking about!

The street meetings in Milwaukee continue to be well attended. Comrades Heywood and Harriek spoke at the first meeting held at Eleventh avenue and Washington street, Wednesday night, to over one hundred people. There was a much larger crowd at Lincoln and Kinnickinnic avenues where Comrades Melms and Bistorius spoke.

Owing to the rain last Sunday the basket picnic of the Fifth ward comrades of Milwaukee was postponed. It will be held tomorrow (the 30th) at Schuler's farm, a mile beyond the car line at Layton Park. Everyone is invited. Look for the flag in the farm.

Notice, Milwaukee: The next meeting of the Central committee will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, the day after Labor Day, at Weingart's hall.

Attention, Comrades of Fifth and Eighth wards, Milwaukee.—There will be a joint business meeting at National Hall, Grove street and National avenue, Sunday Aug. 30, at 3 p. m. Do not fail to attend. Fred. Krueger, Secy.

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Gust. Schlewa, city.....	1.00
J. E. Okray, city.....	1.00
10th Ward branch S. D. P.....	4.30
John Heider, city.....	1.00
Wm. Reineman, city.....	1.00
James Fegg, city.....	1.00
H. Petersen, Wauwatosa.....	1.00
Eddie Wille, city.....	1.00
P. Hart, city.....	1.00
Ernst Schultz, Sta. D. city.....	1.00
J. Underhill, city.....	1.00
10th Ward Branch, city.....	1.75
Edw. Pilger, city.....	1.00
F. Clausen, Michicott.....	1.00
Wm. Hager, city.....	1.00
Herman Lapp, city.....	1.00
Ben Scherer, city.....	1.00
John Luell, city.....	1.00
Geo. Almer, city.....	1.00
Wm. Fitch, city.....	1.00
Total.....	\$904.40

All comrades who have not yet paid for the July 19th picnic tickets are requested to do so AT ONCE so that the numbers entitled to prizes may soon be determined.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING.

To the Stockholders of The Milwaukee Social Democratic Publishing Co.
The stockholders of the Milwaukee Social Democratic Publishing Co. will hold a special meeting at Lyceum Hall, Seventh and State streets, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, September 10th, 1902, for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the Board of Directors and to transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
Dated at Milwaukee, Wis., this 25th day of August, 1902. Milwaukee Social Democratic Publishing Co.
E. T. Melms, Secy.

Statement of receipts and disbursements of July 19th Picnic.

RECEIPTS.	
For tickets to Aug. 21st.....	\$930.34
Entire Bars.....	1,023.05
Gates.....	280.43
Ball tickets.....	63.50
Games.....	100.80
Total Receipts to Aug. 21st.....	\$2,417.97
Turned over to the State Executive Board.....	\$700.00
Turned over to Social Democratic Herald.....	7.00
Turned over to City Central Com. for advance payment on Exposition Building.....	50.00
Balance on hand Aug. 21st.....	\$1,450.99
	112.95
	\$1,562.95

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Printing.....	\$113.25
Advertising.....	34.50
Park.....	75.00
Beer.....	203.06
Broken Glass.....	5.85
Addressing Envel.....	4.24
Liquor.....	11.55
Cigars.....	65.06
Bartenders.....	95.06
Soda Water.....	46.26
Cartage.....	1.50
2 Graphophones.....	22.50
Billingpost.....	27.06
Miscellaneous.....	62.25
Pastage.....	45.27
	\$834.09
Profit on picnic Aug. 1st.....	\$1,562.95
	\$2,417.04

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The Buffalo Mystery is a four act drama of merit and founded on the famous murder which stirred the whole country last February. The famous case and the automobile disaster in the quarry are prominent features while the club men, their wives and their stenographers make up the principals in the story. The murder of the manufacturer is of course a mystery which will probably never be cleared. The company presenting this play is large and powerful and the story is told to the entire satisfaction of the audience.

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The Exposition has been engaged for a Grand Masque, Jan. 30, 1904, to be given by the Social Democratic party. We request you not to make conflicting engagements for your entertainments, mask balls, etc.
Milwaukee Central Committee.

MILWAUKEE BRANCHES.

FIRST WARD BRANCH meets every second Tuesday in the month at 8 p. m. at 602 Market street. Richard L. Schmidt, 836 North Water street, Secretary.
SECOND WARD BRANCH meets every third Friday of the month, even days, at 4th and Chestnut streets. Fritz Koll, 1229 Told Spring ave., Secy.
THIRD WARD BRANCH meets each first and third Thursday at 428 Fowler street. H. H. Helming, Jr., Secretary.
FIFTH WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Sunday, 2:30 p. m., at National hall, National avenue and Grove street. Ed. Rapp, 404 Clinton street, Secretary.
SIXTH WARD BRANCH meets every second Wednesday at 8 p. m. at 594 Fourth street. E. Ramsthal, 700 Booth street, Secretary.
SEVENTH WARD BRANCH meets first and third Thursday evenings of the month at Room 11, Third floor, 416 Milwaukee st. W. H. Stutz, 503 Broadway, secy.
EIGHTH WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Sunday, 2:30 p. m., at National hall, National avenue and Grove street. John Kundson, Secretary, 454 Fifth avenue.
NINTH WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Thursday of the month at 453 Eleventh street. Ed. Berner, Secretary, 1315 Kneeland street.
TENTH WARD BRANCH meets on the first and third Friday of the month at Bahn Frei Turner hall, Twelfth and North avenue. Carl P. Dietz, Secy., 847 Ninth st.
ELEVENTH WARD BRANCH meets every fourth Friday at Kroskling's hall, corner ninth avenue and Orland street. F. W. Riefel, 484 Fifteenth avenue, Secretary.
TWELFTH WARD BRANCH meets first and third Thursdays at 657 Kinakickian avenue. George Russell, Secy., 608 First ave.
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FOURTEENTH WARD BRANCH meets first and third Thursdays. Jerome Underhill, Secretary, 38 Twenty-ninth street.
FIFTEENTH WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Tuesday at 1029 Vliet street. C. Zainer, Secretary, 1812 Cold Spring avenue.
SIXTEENTH WARD BRANCH meets first and third Thursdays. Jerome Underhill, Secretary, 38 Twenty-ninth street.
SEVENTEENTH WARD BRANCH meets second and fourth Wednesdays at Odd Fellows' hall, Kinakickian and Potter avenues. Edw. Behlendorf, Secretary, 230 Burrell street.
EIGHTEENTH WARD BRANCH meets second and fourth Friday evenings at 487 Cramer street, corner of Green street. Thos. E. Hogg, Secretary, 487 Cramer street.
NINETEENTH WARD BRANCH meets every second Wednesday in the month in Meixner's hall, corner Twenty-seventh and Vliet streets. Louis Baier, Secretary, 538 Twenty-second street.
TWENTIETH WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Thursday of the month in Folkman's hall, corner Twenty-first and Center streets. C. Wiesel, Secretary, 1224 Twenty-second street.
TWENTY-FIRST WARD BRANCH meets every first Tuesday at 1219 Buffum St., cor. Chambers St. Victor L. Berger, Secretary.
TWENTY-SECOND WARD BRANCH meets every first and third Friday of the month at Reicher's hall, 2247 1/2 fifth street and North avenue. George Moerschel, Secretary, 917 Thirty-seventh street.

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